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Goldterra, Inc. Daniel Sheppard 4088 East Airport Road Price, Utah 84501

Subject: <u>Deficient Reclamation Surety, Daniel Sheppard Black Knight Mine S/015/0078 Emery</u>

County, Utah

Dear Mr. Sheppard:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining have reviewed the reclamation surety for the Black Knight Mine. This surety was escalated three years from 2006. Your current reclamation surety is \$5400.00 which the Division is holding in the form of a certificate of deposit. The Division has recalculated the surety based on your permitted area of one acre to be:

> \$7400.00 escalated for 3 years (surety amount next reviewed in 2013) \underline{OR} \$7600.00 escalated for 5 years (surety amount next reviewed in 2015)

The Division uses standard per-acre costs to determine surety amounts for small mines. The figures used are shown in the following table:

Project Size (Acres)	Surety 3 & 5 year escalation	Comments
1 or less acres	\$7,400 (3-year escalation) \$7,600 (5-year escalation)	Minimum amount required
Additional acres up to 5 acres	\$4,300/ acre (3-year escalation) \$4,400/acre (5-year escalation)	Partial acreages rounded up (e.g., 1.2 acres = 2 acres)
Cumulative Amount for 5-acres	(i.e. Maximum of 5 acres = \$7,400 +\$17,200 = \$24,600) (3-year escalation) (i.e. Maximum of 5 acres = \$7,600 +\$17,600 = \$25,200) (5-year	\$600.00 difference between 3 and 5 year escalation amount for 5-acres of disturbance.
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Based on the information in the NOI, the Division has determined that you must post additional surety in the amount of:

\$2000 for 3-year escalation <u>OR</u> \$2200 for 5-year escalation

The increased surety needs to be received no later than February 15, 2010.

Please contact surety coordinator, Penny Berry, 801-538-5291, for instructions on how to submit this increased surety. She can be reached at 801-538-5291 or by e mail at bondcoordinator@utah.gov. If you have questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at 801-538-5261 or Wayne Western at 801-538-5263.

Sincerely, Munay

Paul Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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cc: wstokes@utah.gov

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